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SUBJ: ILO: TENTH CONFERENCE OF AMERICAN STATES MEXICO CITY,
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1. IN CONTEXT OF RESOLUTIONS AT SUBJECT CONFERENCE ON MIGRANT WORKERS AND "LATIN AMERICANIZATION" OF ILO REGIONAL ACTIVITIES (REF A), DEPARTMENT MAY FIND OF INTEREST ACTIVITIES OF ARTURO MUNOZ LEDO, MEXICAN GOVREP DURING ILO GOVERNING BODY SESSIONS HERE IN LAST FEW WEEKS.

2. SPEAKING ON ILO FOLLOW-UP ON JUNE CONFERENCE RESOLUTION ON MIGRANT WORKERS, MUNOZ LEDO SAID ILO HAD NOT BEEN FAIR IN PAST EXAMINATIONS OF MIGRANT WORKERS IN NORTH AMERICA, THAT SEVEN MILLION MEXICAN MIGRANTS WERE IN THE US AND THAT IF ILO WOULD NOT TAKE UP THIS PROBLEMS, UN COMMISSION ON DISCRIMINATION AND HUMAN RIGHTS WOULD TAKE ACTION.

3. MUNOZ LEDO WAS ALSO A LEADER OF SEVEN COUNTRIES WHICH PRESENTED GROUP OF 77 POSITION TO WP ON ILO STRUCTURE (REF B), AND HE REDICULED ALLEGED US OPPOSITION TO PROPOSED ILO CONFERENCE ON EMPLOYMENT, INCOME DISTRIBUTION AND INTER-
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NATIONAL DIVISION OF LABOR BEFORE US REP SPOKE. CONFERENCE IS

FAVORED BY LDCS BECAUSE THEY ASSOCIATE IT WITH UNGA'S NEW ECONOMIC ORDER. IN LATER INTERVENTION, HE OFFERED TO HOST THIS CONFERENCE IN MEXICO.

4. COMMENT. MUNOZ LEDO'S INTEREST IN BUILDING CREDENTIALS AS LEADER OF LDC GROUP CONTRASTED TO A MORE LOW-KEY STYLE IN MAY WHEN HE SERVED AS CHAIRMAN OF ILO GOVERNING BODY. WE NOT TRYING TO BUILD BASE FOR OR AGAINST HIM, BUT SINCE HE SUGGESTS HIS BROTHER MAY BE NEXT PRESIDENT OF MEXICO, HIS POSITIONS AT SUBJECT CONFERENCE AND IN INTERNATIONAL LABOR MATTERS SHOULD BE WORTH WATCHING. DALE

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